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SUMMER VACATIONS

July 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9's Consumer Reporter Randy Paige reported some great money-saving tips, as the summer travel season was in full swing. Some of the best vacation bargains are right here at home.

POOR PENNY

July 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:22)

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported live from Toluca Lake with details on the penny problem—the copper currency might soon be a thing of the past because now it costs more to make than it's worth.

CHECK SCAM

July 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:52)

KCAL9 Money Reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the big check-in-the-mail scam is back. You get a check in your mailbox with a letter that says you won a jackpot, but you did not enter any contest. It happened to a family in Rialto.

AIRFARES UP

July 6, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that air travel is up, and with more airline passengers these days the airlines are finding that they can increase their ticket prices, which is just what they're doing.

CONSUMER CAR LAW

July 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:20)

KCAL9 Consumer Reporter Randy Paige reported that car buyers have some new ways to fight back if the wind up with a lemon. A new law gives you new consumer rights.

HIGH PRICE TO PAY

July 11, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported that the cost of prescription drugs keeps going high and higher...but one consumer group says it doesn't have to be that way, and that there are ways to lower the cost of prescription medications.

REBATE PROBLEMS**July 12, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:02)**

KCAL9 Money Reporter Alan Mendelson reported on one of the top consumer complaints year after year—problems getting rebates. He provides a look at the problems, and some tips to get that check in the mail.

HOME PRICES DEFLATE**July 21, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:10)**

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Hughes reported that after years of a sizzling hot seller's market, the trend seems to be cooling. Southern California's housing boom is shifting toward being a buyer's market again.

LIVE AND WORK HOME**July 24, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:02)**

KCAL9 Money Reporter Alan Mendelson reported that it is getting tough for developers to build new homes today. There isn't much land left to build, and the land that is available is pricey. So developers must give their houses a special feature to justify the costs and price.

TRASH CAN TAX / VILLARAIGOSA**July 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:32)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that L.A. city residents would soon be paying more to take out the garbage. The L.A. City Council overwhelmingly approved the Mayor's plan to increase trash collection fees. The fee increase will pay for 1,000 new police officers over the next five years.

SOLAR COOLING**July 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Money Reporter Alan Mendelson reported that during hot weather days like these, you might really appreciate a solar power system for your home. He provided a look at the price and the benefits.

CHICKEN PRICES**July 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:34)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that the heat is causing some serious problems for California's poultry industry. The hot weather wiped out about 10% of the state's poultry flock. The drop in supply could mean an increase in prices for customers.

COMPUTERS / POWER**July 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:43)**

KCAL9 Money Reporter Alan Mendelson reported that power blackouts and brownouts could damage your computer and other equipment like the monitor and printer. He provided some low cost items for protection against power problems for you to consider.

SUPER KITCHENS**July 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:14)**

KCAL9 Money Reporter Alan Mendelson reported that with houses costing a half million dollars or more here in California, a lot of families are redecorating instead of moving. He offered some idea for those looking to upgrade their kitchen.

BEST SMALL BUSINESSES**August 2, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:42)**

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported that a small business in Burbank has been honored as one of the best companies to work for in America—it could be a model for how big companies should operate.

FINANCIAL PLANNING**August 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:09)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the following day, the public would have a chance to talk to a certified financial planner for free, at an all-day event at the L.A. Convention Center.

OIL FIELD GAS PRICES**August 7, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:05)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported that just when it looked like the price of gasoline might be leveling, a major oil field in Alaska has been shut down. And within days it is expected that prices will rise anywhere from a dime to 30 cents a gallon.

FEDERAL RESERVE**August 9, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:04)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the Federal Reserve is shaking up Wall Street and Main Street with its decision yesterday to not raise the interest rates. The decision not to raise rates came with comments about a slowing housing market, and a moderating or cooling economy.

FILLMORE GOLF CARTS**August 9, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 Ventura County reporter Amy Johnson reported that in Ventura County, pain at the pump has some people turning to an alternative way of getting around.

CONSUMER TERROR PLOT**August 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 reporter Alex Christoforous reported that terror threats tend to have a negative impact on the stock market, and airline stocks did take a hit earlier that day.

REAL ESTATE**August 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported on how the real estate market has certainly changed. New figures show that home sales in the state are down by 25%.

SENIOR EVICTIONS**August 25, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL reporter Rick Chambers reported live from South Pasadena, where seniors on fixed income were revolting against their landlord—they say turning their apartment complex into a lap of luxury will raise rents to a level they can't afford.

HURRICANE INSURANCE**August 28, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 3:22)**

KCAL9 Consumer reporter Randy Paige reported on the bitter lesson learned by thousands of people who lost homes and property to Hurricane Katrina, only to discover their insurance did not cover the losses. This experience carries some lessons for us here in California.

GAS PRICES**August 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:23)**

KCAL9 Orange County reported Dave Lopez reported that for the first time in nearly a year, gas prices have fallen significantly—an average of 15-cents a gallon in the past two weeks.

REAL ESTATE**August 29, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:56)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that Labor Day weekend marks the traditional end to the peak home buying season, and this is the time when a lot of prices are cut.

AT&T CREDIT HACKING**August 29, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:35)**

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that computer hackers have stolen the personal information of thousands of AT&T customers.

Approximately 19,000 people were affected, and the victims will receive free credit monitoring services.

FUEL ESTIMATES**August 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:31)**

KCAL9 Consumer Reporter Randy Paige reported that people who buy cars suffer from sticker shock, not from the cost but from the gasoline mileage numbers, because what you see is not what you get. Now that will be changing.

FAKE DRUGS**August 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 Consumer Reporter Randy Paige reported that many Americans have been buying drugs from Canada because they are cheaper than here in the U.S. Now officials are claiming some of the drugs purchased from one Canadian pharmacy are fake, and might be dangerous.

GAS PRICES**September 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:51)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported live from Downey, where people were paying less at the pump. Ready for the Labor Day getaway, millions of people would be hitting the road.

TRAVEL CABO**September 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:36)**

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from the L.A. Airport, where it was a madhouse with everyone trying to get out of town. Hurricane John had undoubtedly put a damper on some travelers' holiday weekend plans. And if your destination is Cabo San Lucas, you're out of luck.

HIRE FOR ERRANDS**September 6, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:46)**

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported live from Encino, with the story of how it often seems like there's never enough time to get errands done, but now you won't have to—that's because more companies are popping up to do the work that you're too busy to do.

ANAHEIM HOUSES**September 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported live from Anaheim Hills, where residents who lost their homes under the weight of shifting soil can soon put the issue to bed. A settlement with Caltrans calls for the homeowners to be paid, and the damaged houses to be razed.

GAS PRICES**September 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:37)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported that gas prices were falling as a few cents a day. He finds out what's driving this price drop.

EDISON RATES**September 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:15)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported some encouraging news from the power company—Southern California Edison is going to delay a rate hike.

BANKRUPTCY THREAT**September 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that as a result of the slowdown in real estate, that slowdown might force more families to file for bankruptcy.

FORD CUTS**September 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:42)**

KCAL9 reporter Alexis Christoforous reported that the axe is coming down at Ford Motor Company. The nation's #2 automaker says it will offer buyouts to all of its hourly workers, and shut down two more plants.

LOWER INFLATION**September 15, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported some good news on inflation. Uncle Sam that day said that the inflation rate the previous month dropped by one-half from the month before. He also explains what the lower inflation means.

\$2.61 GAS**September 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:09)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that gasoline pump prices are dropping, and now a supermarket company is offering extra gas discounts, to help win over grocery shoppers.

SPINACH WARNING**September 19, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 Ventura County reporter Amy Johnson reported that farmers have started plowing their spinach crops under and laying off workers, and many restaurants are trying to afford taking a financial hit.

ECONOMY SLOWS**September 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:15)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the stock market has been selling off because of some new reports showing that the economy is slowing. But there are other signs of a slowing economy, some of which you see every day.

STARBUCKS PRICE**September 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:20)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Lopez reported that Starbucks is raising the price of its coffee, and he explains just how much and why.

COMMODITIES**September 24, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:19)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that gas prices dropped nearly 24-cents a gallon in the past two weeks, according to the Lundberg Survey. And crude oil prices continue to fall on the commodity market. Oil was down another three cents a gallon. This could all mean that lower pump prices are ahead for us.

WEB TECH**September 25, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:03)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that as we remember the bursting of the Internet bubble five years ago, new Internet companies are opening up, with new ideas to make money. He takes a look at one of the new dot-coms.

HOUSING MARKET**September 26, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:10)**

KCAL9 Money reporter Alan Mendelson reported some troubling news on the California housing market. The California Association of Realtors says that home sales last month plunged 30% from a year earlier. It is the worst drop in almost a quarter century.

WALKING MAN FOUND**July 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT: 39)**

KCAL9 reporter Juan Fernandez reported breaking news that hour—investigators in Orange County believed they'd found the body of an elderly man who'd been missing for nearly two weeks.

TRUCKER ARRESTED**July 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:46)**

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported that a California truck driver was charged by Tennessee authorities with two counts of kidnapping. The 33-year-old trucker is accused of holding two L.A. area girls against their will for nearly two weeks.

COPPER THEFTS**July 5, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported that someone pulled a "copper heist" in the Inland Empire, which meant dead air for some homes and businesses in Ontario. Thieves stole 50 feet of underground wire, which cut phone and Internet service.

LANCASTER SHOOTING**July 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live on the scene in Lancaster, where a plastic surgeon was shot to death at his 200-acre ranch. Investigators were baffled, with no clues.

OFFICER RAPIST**July 6, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:51)**

KCAL9 reporter Ross Palombo reported live from Redondo Beach with details on the bombshell dropped that day in the case against a former police officer accused of raping a teenager—investigators say that Shawn Shelton is H.I.V. positive.

ANAHEIM DEATH INVESTIGATION**July 9, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:46)**

KCAL9 reporter Ross Palombo reported live from Anaheim with the latest on the investigation over a teenage boy who was shot to death in his Anaheim home. Homicide detectives say they don't even have a motive for the crime.

CHILD PREDATOR**July 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:16)**

KCAL9 reporter Juan Fernandez reported live from Long Beach, where police were stepping up their search for a child predator who apparently molested two young girls. Police released their sketch of the man at this time.

11-YEAR-OLD RAPED**July 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:41)**

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported that as many as ten college football players were believed to have been involved in the rape of a young girl. The alleged sexual assault happened at a Fresno apartment complex.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRL KILLED**July 11, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:23)**

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live on the story of a deadly attack—a 16-year-old girl was gunned down, shot in the head after school earlier that day.

HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL**July 14, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:41)**

KCAL9 reporter Paul Dandridge reported that a pair of deadly shootings in the South Robertson area took place the previous night, just a few blocks from where a Hamilton High School student was gunned down earlier this week. Police were now appealing for help, after troubles getting witnesses to talk.

TRIPLE HOMICIDE ARREST**July 14, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:30)**

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Garden Grove with all the latest details on the big break in a triple murder that took place there. Investigators say they've arrested the prime suspect in the vicious stabbing deaths of a couple and a six-year-old boy.

RESTAURANT ROBBERY**July 20, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from Van Nuys with details on what is starting to feel like a serious crime wave—another restaurant was robbed. Two armed robbers terrorized employees and customers at a restaurant in the valley.

HOME INVASION RAPE**July 25, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:14)**

KCAL9 reporter Juan Fernandez reported live from Hollywood with more on the search that night for three men who police say broke into a home, demanded money and raped two women.

ANDREA YATES VERDICT**July 26, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:36)**

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that the emotional trial of Andrea Yates ended that day with a verdict of, "Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity." Her lawyers argued she suffered from severe postpartum psychosis, when she drowned her five children in the bathtub.

WOMEN FOLLOW-UP**July 27, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 reporter Paul Dandridge reported live from the Sheriff's Homicide Headquarters in Commerce, with new information as the search continued for dozens of women whose photos were found in a killer's apartment.

ASSAULT/HOLLYWOOD & HIGHLAND**July 27, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:35)**

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Hollywood, where police were asking for the public's help that night in the search for a man who sexually assaulted a woman at Hollywood & Highland.

FREEWAY SHOOTING**August 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:36)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported that police were asking for the public's help, after a driver was shot repeatedly on the Harbor Freeway. So far no suspects, no motive, and few clues.

COMPTON CHASE / FATAL SHOOTING**August 1, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:24)**

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported live near Compton that a wild pursuit ended in Compton with bullets flying. L.A. County Sheriff's deputies say they fired on the driver this evening after he tried to run them over.

TAKEOVER ROBBERY**August 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:28)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported on another violence restaurant robbery in the San Fernando Valley—this latest crime happened

overnight at the Valley Inn in Sherman Oaks, near Ventura Blvd. Detectives are trying to figure out if these robberies are connected.

TEACHER ARRESTED

August 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported live from Ontario, with the latest on a substitute teacher arrested & charged with molesting children. According to investigators he's confessed to molesting more than 100 kids.

MANHUNT FOR A KILLER

August 5, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Ball reported that police say a body found dumped in the brush alongside old Highway 66 in the Cajon Pass is probably one of the three murder victims. The FBI was calling on the hunt for John Wayne Thompson, the man they call their primary suspect.

MOLESTER KURTZ

August 8, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Encino about a former camp director who is accused of molesting three young girls. And detectives believe there may be more victims.

MOM DUI FATAL

August 9, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported live from Santa Ana with details on the Costa Mesa woman accused of drunk driving, who might also face manslaughter charges in the death of her young son.

RAMSEY ARREST

August 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:21)

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported that the mystery has been unsolved for a decade, but now we learn a suspect has been taken into custody in connection with the murder of Jon Benet Ramsey.

CHILD MOLESTER

August 24, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:26)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live from the Sheriff's station in Monterey Park with details on the attack of a young boy at a park restroom. Police need the public's help to track down a sexual predator who molested the 10-year-old boy.

SALON ROBBERY**August 25, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:47)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported that armed men stormed into a Yorba Linda salon, held a mom and her teenage daughter at gunpoint, tied them up and then robbed the place.

KARR NO CHARGES**August 28, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:39)**

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Miller reported from Boulder, Colorado that John Mark Karr was now a free man. It looks like the Jon Benet murder case will remain unsolved, after DNA tests could not match Karr to the crime scene.

WARREN JEFFS**August 29, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:05)**

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported that Warren Jeffs was behind bars that afternoon. Jeffs leads a religious group called the Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints, and he is accused of sexual misconduct.

PALMDALE MOLESTER**August 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:12)**

KCAL9 reporter Juan Fernandez reported live from Palmdale where deputies were on a hunt for a rapist, after a ten-year-old girl was assaulted in a theater complex.

REDLANDS BOY**August 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:20)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported live from Redlands, where investigators were trying to identify a decomposing corpse found by a work crew that had been clearing brush in a field near Ford Street and Sunset Drive.

MOLESTATION SUSPECT**September 1, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported live from the Fairfax District with details on a Disney executive that was arrested on serious child molestation charges—accused of lewd conduct with a young boy at a spa.

FONTANA PREDATOR**September 4, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:23)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported details on a frightening attack and police in Fontana searching for this brazen sexual predator. He tried to attack an elderly woman not once, but twice in the same day.

PUBLIC PLEA / SHOOTING**September 6, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:09)**

KCAL9 reporter Paul Dandridge reported live from South L.A. with the story of a 23-year-old daughter cut down in a hail of bullets. Now the victim's grieving mother is pleading for help to find the killer, and to put a stop to the senseless violence that killed her daughter.

VALLEY OIS**September 9, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:30)**

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Woodland Hills with the story of police looking for two men who allegedly lured an LAPD sergeant into a dark tunnel underneath the Ventura Freeway, and then ambushed him.

TOURIST MOLESTER**September 12, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:56)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Beth McDade reported live from Malibu with the latest on a suspected child molester who was behind bars that night, facing charges of lewd conduct with a girl in Newport Beach. Police fear he had been traveling California in a rented RV looking for victims.

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND**September 14, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:37)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported live from Newport Beach with details on the investigation into a murder mystery there—a woman's body was found wrapped in a blanket, floating in front of the main dock of the Newport Harbor Yacht Club the previous afternoon.

HIGH SCHOOL MOLESTER**September 15, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:25)**

KCAL9 reporter Juan Fernandez reported live outside the jail in Van Nuys with the latest on a shocking arrest at Sylmar High School. A teacher's aid and assistant coach was behind bars that night, accused of sexually assaulting students.

LYNWOOD SHOOTING FOLLOW**September 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:42)**

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Lynwood with details on the investigation happening there. A mother was shot and killed in front of her two children, and now the search is on for the shooter and the reason why.

POT BUST**September 20, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:41)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported live from Mission Viejo with details on a marijuana bust that happened there. Deputies say they've uncovered a marijuana farm with thousands of plants that have a street value of millions.

FETUS STOLEN**September 22, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:34)**

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported the latest on a disturbing story of a grisly murder. A pregnant woman killed and her fetus cut out. Now, a desperate search for the woman's three young children who are missing.

3-YEAR-OLD KILLED**September 25, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:35)**

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Baldwin Hills, where a short life came to a violent end. Bullets that were meant for her father killed a three-year-old girl. The father is in critical condition.

FIREFIGHTER HARASSMENT**September 27, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:48)**

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported the story of a veteran L.A. City Fire Captain, who battled fires for 17 years, but now is suing the department. She claims it is a hotbed of sexual harassment.

PREGNANT WOMAN SHOT**September 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:35)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported the latest on a shooting that took place just that morning, at an apartment building in Panorama City. Three people were injured, including a pregnant woman and a child.

TEEN DRIVING

July 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

KCAL9 reporter Randall Pinkston reported that 16-year-olds have more fatal crashes than any other group. But one solution is to make teens wait to get behind the wheel.

CHILDREN / MISSED FLU DIAGNOSIS

July 5, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:27)

KCAL9 Anchor Ann Martin reported that a new study appearing in the New England Journal of Medicine shows doctors are failing to diagnose the flu in young children. Doctors did not call it flu in four out of five preschoolers who were treated for flu symptoms at a doctor's office or emergency room, and many kids never had a flu test performed.

INFANT-SEE PROGRAM

July 5, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:26)

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that a nation-wide program is trying to catch vision problems in children very early in life. It is called, "Infant-See."

TEEN BRAIN

July 6, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that more and more evidence indicates teen drinkers may be damaging their brains. Studies confirm the developing teenage brain is much more susceptible to the toxic effects of alcohol.

COLUMBINE DOCUMENTS

July 6, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:10)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported a chilling look into the mind of teenage killers. Today, diaries of the Columbine High School gunmen were among the 900 pages of documents released after a long court battle.

MATRIX CAMP

July 19, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported on a boot camp for up and coming scientists. USC's Institute for Creative Technologies is showing high school students everything from physics to high-tech problem solving.

CHILD SAFETY**July 20, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:33)**

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported on what you can do to protect your child from fatal falls. Statistics show car crashes are the number one killer of children in the U.S. year-round. But during summer time, people usually assume drownings are the main cause for injury or death, but it's not so. It is actually falls.

CAMP SPRAYED**July 21, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:19)**

KCAL9's Ventura County reporter Amy Johnson reported live from Ventura, where some students had to be decontaminated—a student day camp was over before it even started today, all because of toxic chemicals being sprayed near the children's camp.

LAUSD STUDENT VACCINE**July 24, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:30)**

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that the L.A. Unified School District plans to offer female students the option of receiving a controversial cancer vaccine. LAUSD and possibly dozens of other school districts in L.A. plan to offer a vaccine called, "Gardasil" that prevents the sexually transmitted virus linked to cervical cancer. It can be given to girls as young as 11 years old.

DODGER CAMP**July 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:29)**

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported on a special treat for hundreds of kids that day at Elysian Park. They were being treated to a barbeque and a Dodgers game at this year's Dodger Jam.

LAUSD TAKEOVER HEARING**July 27, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:08)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that that night, the public got a chance to weigh in on a proposed LAUSD takeover by the Mayor of Los Angeles. Hearings were held at Washington Irving Middle School that evening, packed with concerned parents, teachers and community leaders.

AUTISTIC KARATE KID**July 31, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:26)**

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that autism traps a child in his own little world, but the parents of one autistic boy found an amazing therapy that also happens to be a lot of fun, and turned Brandon Earnshaw into the "karate kid."

POOL ALARM**August 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:42)**

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported a warning for parents to watch their children, especially if they have a pool. He provided details on which pool alarms work best to keep kids out of harm's way.

WHIZ KID**August 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:44)**

KCAL9 reporter Josh Rubenstein reported that interns at JPL are typically smarter than your average bear, but he interviews one unusual whiz kid who does it all while living with a unique challenge.

PLAYGROUND**August 2, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:54)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported that youngsters living near the Cook Del Camp Park in San Juan Capistrano have gone without playground equipment for a year, because the old equipment was damaged by vandals. Crews were now busy installing some cool new gear for some very happy kids.

DISCOVERY CREW**August 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:10)**

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported that the crew from Space Shuttle Discovery has landed in L.A. to check out the scientists of tomorrow. They visited a science camp at the California Science Center.

SHOPPING CART DANGERS**August 7, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:29)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported live from Laguna Hills with details on a warning from doctors—they are warning parents that shopping carts can be dangerous to children.

ANTI-SMOKING KIDS**August 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported that every day more than 6,000 kids under 18 will light up for the first time. Now, a new computer program has been designed to stop children from lighting up by forcing them to face the future.

GOOGLE BOOKS**August 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:43)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported that Google has inked a deal to digitize millions of books at all University of California campus libraries. It is expected to save taxpayers millions of dollars by eliminating the need to buy the same book for all ten libraries.

BLIND KIDS SURFING**August 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:48)**

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported about kids without sight who are enjoying the sand and even learning to surf. These special lessons in water safety, self-rescue and surfing techniques began on Venice Beach. Then several blind children from the Braille Institute got to try out their newly learned skills in the water.

SLEEP APNEA KIDS**August 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 Reporter Dilva Henry reported that Sleep Apnea affects millions of people and that includes children. The condition disrupts sleep, which can have an effect on learning and behavior. But a new study shows it may also cause damage to the brain.

SCHOOL FLEAS**August 25, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:43)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported on a problem school administrators are having difficulties solving—what to do about pesky fleas that are jumping, biting, itching & scratching students at two Fontana elementary schools.

BACK TO SCHOOL**August 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:35)**

KCAL9 reporter Stacey Tisdale reported that this year's back to school shopping bag includes some big-ticket items, like laptops and cell phones. And the total tab for parents will be in the "billions."

SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP**August 28, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:41)**

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported that a Long Beach boy is famous today—he was on the cover of Parade Magazine. But the real story is a school partnership that is getting national recognition.

LAUSD REFORM**August 30, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:48)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported that lawmakers in Sacramento have passed a bill that will give L.A. Mayor Villaraigosa more control over the L.A. Unified School District. However there could be lawsuits coming.

CARSON SCHOOL ODOR**August 30, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:13)**

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported that strange smells may delay the start of school in Carson. For months, teachers and students at Del Amo Elementary have been complaining of a foul odor, headaches and dizziness. Now it turns out a toxic gas leak may be to blame.

SCHOOL BUS ACCIDENT**September 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:29)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported live from Rancho Cucamonga, where a school bus loaded with kids was hit by an SUV that morning near a high school there.

SACTO YOUTH COACH**September 5, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:50)**

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported on a case of youth football gone too far, and caught on tape for everyone to see. An assistant coach is seen charging onto the field to push a 13-year-old player to the ground. Now, that coach is facing serious charges.

JUVENILE FIRE PREVENTION**September 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:35)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported on an example of kids behaving badly that could have devastating consequences. Fire officials in Riverside say more fires are being started by young people, so they're arming parents with ways to target and prevent that destructive behavior.

CHILD ANNOYANCE**September 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:24)**

KCAL9 Ventura County reporter Amy Johnson reported live from Thousand Oaks with details on a stranger who was showing unwanted attention to children on Ventura County public school campuses. Authorities received several reports of a man who strikes up inappropriate conversations with kids.

9/11 KIDS CAMP**September 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:46)**

KCAL9 reporter Carol Costello reported that the anniversary of the September 11th attacks on America brings up many painful memories, especially for children who lost a parent that day. But a special camp is helping them at least find a refuge from the tragedy, and giving them the skills they need to move forward.

NEW SCHOOL**September 9, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:30)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that construction began that day on a new performing arts high school, right in the heart of L.A. Education leaders broke ground at an historic site on North Grand Avenue. The school should be open in about two years.

SCHOOL THREAT**September 12, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:28)**

KCAL9 reporter Amy Johnson reported breaking news—a bomb threat forced the evacuation of seven schools in Santa Paula.

SCHOOL PANDEMIC FLU SHOT**September 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:55)**

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported that L.A. schools wanted to get a serious jump on the flu season, so the school district and county health officials were launching a plan to prepare for a possible pandemic flu. They want the schools to be ready, and to educate staff, children and their parents.

CHILD OBESITY**September 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:51)**

KCAL9's Dr. Mallika Marshall reported that some health experts say the U.S. doesn't measure up when it comes to reducing and preventing childhood obesity. By some estimates, one in every five American children will be obese by the end of this decade.

HEAL THE BAY / KIDS**September 15, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:40)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported about Coastal Cleanup Day, where hundreds of kids were at Santa Monica Beach that morning, cleaning up & also learning about how to respect our environment by keeping it clean.

GOVERNOR SIGNS LAUSD BILL**September 18, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:44)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported about a new day for public education in Los Angeles. Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger just signed a bill giving L.A. Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa some clout over the city's schools.

CROC SHOE WARNING**September 21, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:29)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported that the popular shoes called Crocs may be dangerous. A lot of kids wear them, so details were given about why you should watch your children's step.

CONTAMINATED MILK / KIDS SICK**September 22, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:28)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported from Loma Linda with details on a new E.coli scare, as milk from a California dairy was being pulled from shelves after four kids got very sick.

CHARITY COOKIE SALES / CHILDREN**September 25, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:15)**

KCAL9 reporter Josh Rubenstein reported that a local cookie company was whipping up a special recipe to help sweeten the life of some special children, & donating some of its profits to a needy cause.

COLLEGE KIDS**September 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 4:40)**

KCAL9 reporter Susan Koeppen reported a warning to parents with kids going away to college. You keep a close eye on this danger when they're young, but if your child went off to college this year, are you sure they'd recognize the danger of getting into a stranger's car? An investigation turned up surprising results.

SCIENCE LABS DONATED**September 27, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported that an Orange County company is making a huge donation in support of kids in the Newport Mesa School District. Millions of dollars, all to improve science education.

MORE DEAD TERNS**July 1, 10-11pm newscast (TRT :35)**

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reported that 400 baby birds have washed ashore in Long Beach, and fish and game agents told KCAL9 they believe the birds were washed overboard with a high-pressure hose, because a barge owner allegedly wanted to use it for a fireworks display.

SHUTTLE LAUNCH**July 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 Reporter Drew Levinson reported on the lift-off of the shuttle "Discover", which finally lifted-off from the Kennedy Space Center after two weather delays.

SMOG BILLBOARD**July 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 Reporter Craig Fiegenger reported the air in the Inland Empire is so bad, residents have put up a huge billboard to warn potential homebuyers about it. The bad air has proven to impact the development of children's lungs, and the activists there hope to shame county supervisors into cleaning up the air.

SHUTTLE DOCKING**July 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:41)**

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reported that the space shuttle Discovery successfully docked with the International Space Station.

RICHE CANYON FIRE**July 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:43)**

KCAL9 Reporter Greg Mills reported live from Colton on 'fire watch' that night. Firefighters had their hands full with several brush fires that day, and that night they were getting the upper hand on yet another in the Inland Empire.

BRUSH FIRE**July 8, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 Reporter Ross Palombo reported live from Westlake Village, where a brush fire had already charred 25 acres.

RARE LIZARD**July 12, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:00)**

KCAL9's Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reported that some tiny rare lizards were posing a giant threat to a housing project in Oxnard. Now one of the two lots under construction may be stalled because of these scaly reptiles.

SAWTOOTH FIRE HOMES**July 12, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Reporter Craig Fiegenger reported with live pictures of wildfires burning out of control north of the Morongo Casino the Yucca Valley, and all the latest details on the Sawtooth Complex Fire. More than 26,000 acres had burned, at least 30 structures destroyed and hundreds of people evacuated.

NIGHT FIRE**July 14, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:00)**

KCAL9 Reporter Greg Mills reported live from the Morongo Valley, where two wildfires had now become one, and over 3,800 firefighters were at work. The Sawtooth Fire had blackened 59,000 acres, destroyed 45 homes & hundreds of buildings. The smaller Millard Fire scorched 8,200 acres.

SHUTTLE LANDS**July 17, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)**

KCAL9 reporter Teri Okita reported that the crew had landed at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida that morning. Many believed the future of America's space program depended largely on this mission.

MAKO SHARK CAUGHT**July 17, 2-3pm newscast (TRT :36)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that a woman caught a giant Mako shark off the coast of Southern California that weekend—the largest recorded Mako shark ever caught in California, at nearly 11-feet long and weighing 1,100 pounds.

DESERT STORMS**July 20, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:12)**

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reported live from Lancaster with details on flash flooding and other fallout, after the high desert experienced damaging winds and major downpours.

BEACHES AND HEAT**July 24, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9's Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reported live from Huntington Beach, to talk about the hot weather and humidity that was making outdoor activities almost unbearable even at the beach. Long-time residents say they've never experienced a heat wave this bad.

COWS DROPPING**July 25, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:24)**

KCAL9 Reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live from Chino where she interviewed one rancher, talking about the record heat that was proving to be a real killer for animals. Dozens of them were dropping dead.

BUG INVASION**July 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:20)**

KCAL9 Reporter Jennifer Davis reported that the heat and humidity were creating a bug invasion. Phones were ringing at pest control companies, with homeowners complaining about spiders, ants and even rats.

MOUNTAIN LION SEARCH**August 2, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:35)**

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live from Sunland with the latest on the search for a mountain lion that threw a wrench into the evening commute there, earlier that day. Part of the 210 freeway and surface streets were shut down, after the big cat was spotted off Sunland Blvd.

SEA URCHINS DYING**August 3, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:05)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported on hundreds of dead and dying sea urchins that have turned up in tide pools. Although it's not so hot or humid anymore, we're still seeing the effects of that recent heat wave in Southern California.

1ST CASE WEST NILE**August 4, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:22)**

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Echo Park with the story of the first human case of the potentially deadly West Nile virus to be confirmed this year in L.A. County.

GLENDORA BEARS**August 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported that Fish and Game officials say they've seen an explosion in the Black Bear population. And at least one bear has neighbors on edge in Glendora...caught on tape looking for food.

GOLF FIRE / BANNING FIRE**August 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:44)**

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported on wildfires burning that night—in San Jacinto, a wildfire had burned 200 acres, & more than a dozen families near the Soboba Springs Golf Club were waiting to find out when they could return home. And a brush fire in Banning has burned 210 acres. Our Sky-9 helicopter was over the scene.

BEACH CLOSURE**August 9, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:59)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported that a sewage spill closes two popular Southland beaches. The beach was closed from Ironsides Street in Venice south to Sandpiper Street at Dockweiler Beach, after thousands of gallons of raw sewage spilled into Ballona Creek.

IS PLUTO A PLANET?**August 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:43)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from Cal Tech in Pasadena, that astronomers were working on a new definition for what is truly a planet, and that could expand our solar system, as well as change the status of Pluto as a planet.

FOOT SQUID**August 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:44)**

KCAL9 Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reported that a sport fisherman had snagged body parts from a giant squid in the water just off Santa Cruz Island. The sea creature had one tentacle that was 13-feet-long and four-feet-long arms.

HOT WEATHER**August 21, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:15)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Craig Fiegenger reported that we are on Heat-Watch. Some Southern California areas will again see triple-digit temperatures.

BOLSA CHICA**August 24, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:27)**

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported that for the first time in more than a century, seawater is flowing into the Bolsa Chica Wetland. It marks a historic moment, and an unqualified victory for environmentalists. It's the culmination of a 30-year-long restoration project.

CABRILLO BEACH CLEAN UP**August 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:35)**

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported that San Pedro's Cabrillo Beach is about to get eight million dollars cleaner. The city of L.A. is spending 50-million dollars on a variety of projects that include the Cabrillo Beach cleanup. The beach has been plagued by water quality problems blamed on bird droppings, litter and lack of water circulation.

SHUTTLE DELAY**August 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 reported Dan Billows reported on the NASA setback—fears that Ernesto could whip up to hurricane strength against have forced NASA to delay the launch of the shuttle Atlantis.

RATTLESNAKES**August 29, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:38)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Craig Fiegenger reported that in Rancho Cucamonga, a man is recovering after being bitten by a rattlesnake. The victim believes the snake was 'playing dead' just before it bit him.

HIGHLAND BRUSHER**August 29, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:26)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported live on the scene in Mentone, where we were on Fire Watch. Mandatory evacuations had been ordered in Mentone, near Redlands, where a big fire was burning.

TROPICAL STORM**August 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:51)**

KCAL9 reporter Teri Okita reported that Ernesto picked up steam as he headed north, and is now a tropical storm again. He could get close to Hurricane status by the time he hits land in North Carolina, and flooding is a real possibility

ERNESTO**August 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:41)**

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported trouble that night as tropical storm Ernesto came ashore in the Carolinas, sporting 70-mile-an-hour winds and lots of rain. It was drenching the region, eight inches in some areas already.

SHARK WARNING**August 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:30)**

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported that two popular beaches in Central California have been closed, after a great white shark was spotted in the area. Avila Beach and Port San Luis will not re-open until Labor Day. However it is still okay to play or sunbathe on the sand.

ERNESTO**September 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)**

KCAL9 reporter Teri Okita reported details on the storm on the Atlantic Coast—Ernesto was downgraded to a tropical depression, but was still leaving its mark on the East Coast over the holiday weekend. Now Ernesto is moving north, soaking everything in its path.

MUDSLIDE**September 5, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:40)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported live on the scene in San Jacinto, where heavy rain caused a huge mudslide that stranded residents there.

DAY FIRE LATEST**September 11, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:36)**

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported that a huge wildfire was affecting thousands of drivers along the I-5. The CHP shut down both sides of the freeway, between Templin Highway and Vista Del Largo. Since Labor Day, the fire burned nearly 16,000 acres.

DAYSIDE FIRE**September 12, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from near Lake Pyramid, with details on the fire in the Angeles National Forest that was still only 25% contained. It burned more than 19,000 acres thus far.

BLUEBIRD REPAIRS**September 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:23)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported from Laguna Beach, where a huge landslide damaged 21 homes, and half of them had to be torn down. Now 15 months later the city says it's making progress rebuilding the area known as Bluebird Canyon.

WATER RULES**September 15, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:30)**

KCAL9 reporter Amy Johnson reported that L.A. County's coastal cities were on notice to clean up their beaches, or face very stiff fines. The state agency in charge of regulating the quality of beach water has imposed the toughest laws in the country.

FIRES / TEAM COVERAGE**September 17, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported live from the day fire in Castaic, where hot weather and strong winds were fueling the flames, while further East firefighters began to gain the upper hand.

ARROWHEAD FIRE**September 19, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:18)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegener reported live from the scene of a fire that began just hours prior, and now spreading just north of Lake Arrowhead.

FIRE / ANIMALS**September 20, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:00)**

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Castaic, with the latest on efforts to protect the animals—the growing fire was threatening some valuable endangered species in the Los Padres National Forest.

FIRE WATCH**September 22, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from the Western Command Post in Ventura, with good & bad news on the stubborn fire that had been burning 21 days. Firefighters have contained the northeast part of the fire along Interstate 5, but the southwestern flank is completely out of control.

BEE ATTACK**September 25, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported live from Lake Forest, where a grandfather and his two grandchildren were attacked by a swarm of bees. It happened along a nature trail in Lake Forest, where they were just taking a walk in the park.

EARTH'S TEMPERATURE**September 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:34)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that Earth's temperature has reached a remarkable high. NASA scientists say the planet is within one degree Celsius of its warmest temperature in a million years.

DAY FIRE LOCKWOOD**September 26, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 2:20)**

KCAL9 reporter Josh Rubenstein reported live from Lockwood Valley, where at 23 days and still going strong, there was now a critical situation in the day fire—it was headed straight for homes in the Lockwood Valley.

GOVERNOR BILL / GLOBAL WARMING**September 27, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:05)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported details on the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006—the first-in-the-world to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. California made history in the fight against global warming. Governor Schwarzenegger has signed into law sweeping environmental reform.

AUTISM

July 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:32)

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that scientific researchers have created a test that may one day detect autism as early as birth.

BRAIN SELF-HEALING

July 4, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported on a medical miracle—an Arkansas man's brain appears to be healing itself, but nearly 20 years ago he suffered what was thought to be irreversible brain damage, and could not speak or move.

KNEE NAVIGATION

July 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:37)

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that the most important part of knee and hip replacement surgeries is the proper alignment, which can make or break long-term recovery. Now, a new computer helps surgeons to navigate the patient's new knee.

BACK PAIN RELIEF

July 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:29)

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry provided details about an experimental device being used to treat common back problems. The most common cause of pain, besides muscles and ligament injuries, is disc problems. And a new device was being tested to ease that pain.

AGING WELL

July 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:50)

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported on how to age well—with details on how important it is to eat right, exercise, take supplements, and other things that can lead to a longer and healthier life.

VALLEY FEVER

July 11, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:30)

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that county health officials were alarmed about Valley Fever, which killed 15-people in L.A. County last year. The Health Department said the illness has spread dramatically in the Antelope, Santa Clarita and San Fernando Valleys—and the number has tripled over the last three years.

LIVING WELL / GARLIC & CHOLESTEROL**July 11, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:32)**

KCAL9's Doctor James reported encouraging news about garlic and its help in lowering cholesterol. He also provided details on other health benefits of garlic.

NICOTINE VACCINE**July 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:41)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported good news for smokers who've been trying but failing to kick the habit—a nicotine vaccine is being tested and looks promising. Nicotine addiction is said to be stronger than the addiction to cocaine.

PROSTATES AND POMEGRANATE**July 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:27)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that UCLA researchers have been studying the effects of the pomegranate on prostate cancer, since inflammation is believed to play a role in the disease. And the news is very good. Pomegranates are very high in antioxidants and anti-inflammatory properties.

SNORING & SLEEP APNEA**July 17, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:37)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that an estimated 60% of the adult population snores, and heavy snorers often have Sleep Apnea. Many people don't stick with treatment, but Dilva gives details on a new device that may now help people.

EYE EXERCISES**July 19, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:18)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that doctors are now trying to let the public know that exercising your eyes may be as important as any other muscle in your body.

HEART SCAN**July 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:31)**

KCAL9 Reporter Dilva Henry reported new concerns about the popular CAT scan, which doctors use to look for problems like blockages in the heart. There are concerns that the machines are not as accurate as first thought.

PLAN B**July 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 3:05)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported the latest on the controversial contraceptive, "Plan B." Despite years of debate, the Food and Drug Administration looks poised to approve "Plan B" for use without a prescription.

APPLE JUICE MEMORY**August 2, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:40)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that a new study shows apple juice might help boost brain function. Researchers added apple juice to the water of aging mice, and the brains of the mice experienced an increase in an important neuro-transmitter.

ANTI-AGING REMEDIES**August 2, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:10)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that anti-aging hormone therapy is certainly not just for seniors—that's because a lack of certain hormones or minerals can make the difference between being full of energy and feeling like pulling the covers over your head.

HOLISTIC PLASTIC SURGERY**August 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:15)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported details on a local doctor who is combining cosmetic surgery with holistic living, at the Rejuvalife Vitality Institute.

RECALLED DEFIBRILLATOR**August 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported a warning about Automated External Defibrillators that are supposed to be life-saving. Now it turns out that the chances these will be recalled in any given year is 1 in 20.

CDC MORGELLONS**August 9, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:38)**

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported that we first brought you news of a mysterious medical condition called Morgellons Disease—it's plaguing thousands of people across the country, many of them right here in Southern California. The Center for Disease Control is investigating the illness now.

CHEMO TO LIVE OR DIE**August 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:51)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported details on a breakthrough in chemotherapy treatments for lung cancer patients.

WEST NILE SPRAYING**August 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:04)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported that the West Nile Virus has been detected in L.A. County again, and health officials are spraying high-risk regions to ward off the potentially deadly disease. Greg Phillips was in the Sepulveda Basin as the aerial assault began.

HAY FEVER SEASON**August 18, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:43)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that experts are predicting the worst rag-weed season in 50 years. Ragweed is the number one cause of hay fever in the U.S. Over the counter remedies can help, but doctors say preventative medicine is the best solution.

SAN ONOFRE LEAK**August 18, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:13)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported that a chemical from the San Onofre Nuclear Plant has apparently leaked into the ground water in Orange County—it is radioactive and causes cancer. Plant officials said not to worry yet.

MIGRAINES / YOUR MOUTH**August 21, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:46)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that an estimated 28-million Americans suffer from migraine headaches each year. Some are finding relief not in the doctor's office but in the dentist's chair.

CONTACT LENS CARE**August 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:03)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that earlier this year, an eye infection outbreak caused a certain cleansing solution to be pulled from store shelves. But researchers say lens wearers should also be aware of the importance of proper care.

BIO-IDENTICALS**August 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:57)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that hormone replacement therapy works for many menopausal women but not for all. So some of the others have turned to a newer treatment, called Compounded or Bio-Identical Hormone Therapy. Users say it's more natural, but it's also controversial.

STRESS ALZHEIMERS**August 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:28)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that managing stress might reduce your chances of getting Alzheimer's—it's new research that scientists say has far-reaching implications.

VITAMIN E**September 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:31)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported details of how important it is for expectant mothers to maintain a healthy lifestyle, and how a new study is showing that the right supplements can impact a child's life even years after they're born.

ASPIRIN / PROSTATE**September 5, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that an enlarged prostate is extremely common for aging men, and affects roughly eight-million American men over age 50. But a new study finds that a daily aspirin may cut that risk.

WHAT IS SCOLIOSIS**September 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that doctors are finding new ways to treat a difficult disease that usually affects teens—scoliosis is a curvature of the spine, and while not common, the condition can be difficult to treat.

COFFEE DRINK CALORIES**September 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:04)**

KCAL9 reporter Amy Johnson reported that some coffee drinks are apparently so fattening, you might as well get a super-sized hamburger meal. A non-profit consumer group says certain java drinks deliver more fat and calories than you may realize.

9/11 HEALTH EFFECT**September 11, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:25)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that for the last few years, we've been hearing about the health effects of the first responders to the 9/11 terrorist attacks. And in fact, many of those workers and their doctors say their health problems may last their entire lives.

NEW HEART TEST**September 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported that predicting who will and won't have a deadly heart attack is about to get easier. It is thanks to two new tests that more hospitals will be using in the very near future—tests that can save your life.

TAINTED SPINACH**September 15, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported that if you have any fresh, bagged spinach at home—throw it out! A nationwide warning was in effect because of a deadly outbreak of E.coli bacteria.

PROSTATE CANCER DROPS**September 20, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:22)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported some good news when it comes to the number of men dying from prostate cancer. This year alone, more than 232,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer, but the good news is that the death rate has gone down.

WALMART HEALTHCARE**September 21, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Craig Fiegenger reported possible good news for millions of people who take prescription drugs. Wal-Mart says it will begin selling generic prescription drugs for as little as \$4.00 for a month's supply.

SENIORS & BURNS**September 25, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:15)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported a warning to seniors—doctors say they need to be careful around the house to avoid burns. A serious burn can take a long time to heal and can even be fatal, but doctors say it is especially tough on seniors.

CHINESE GENE THERAPY**September 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:02)**

KCAL9 Health reporter Dilva Henry reported about patients who travel thousands of miles to China, for treatments that are not available in the United States. They feel it is the last chance at life.

DOCTOR SHORTAGE**September 27, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:46)**

KCAL9 reporter Mallika Marshall reported that in the fight against sickness and disease, family physicians are the first line of defense. But a group of doctors says there could soon be a serious shortfall in family physicians if changes aren't made.

SAVE THE STABLE**July 1, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:25)**

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Ball reported live from Pico Rivera on a temporary reprieve that night for horses and their owners at the Pico Rivera Stables. The Sheriff's Department said the owners would not be forcibly evicted, despite the city's plans to make room for a re-development project.

HERO BABYSITTER**July 2, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Ball reported details on an inside story that night, of how a babysitter saved four small children from a raging fire.

SANTA MONICA HOMELESS**July 3, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:14)**

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported that the city of Santa Monica just launched an innovative program that day, to help find the homeless places to live, and get the rehabilitation to keep them off the streets.

HUNTINGTON BEACH PARADE ROUTE**July 3, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:32)**

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Huntington Beach, where folks were already gearing up for the next day's 4th of July Parade. It is one of the city's most popular events, and it comes with a celebrity Grand Marshal, starting at PCH and 8th Streets, then heading downtown on Main Street.

AMERICAFEST**July 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:01)**

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Ball reported live from the "Americafest" in Pasadena at the Rose Bowl. It is an afternoon and evening of patriotic entertainment, complete with a parking lot barbeque, then music and fireworks in the Bowl.

OC FAIR**July 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:28)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported that the Orange County Fair opened that day with the theme Flower Power, Year of the Garden. With luck, music and flower power the OC Fair was hoping to break its attendance record this year.

IMMIGRATION RALLIES**July 8, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 reporter Carter Evans reported that tensions were high that night as the battle over illegal immigration hit the streets of Hollywood. People on both sides of the issues clashed that evening, an LAPD officer suffered an injured ankle & several people were arrested.

HATE CRIME**July 9, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported that L.A.'s mayor joined Orthodox Jewish leaders in dedicating a new temple—and speaking out against hate crimes. Two days prior, someone attacked the new synagogue, trying to set it on fire and spray-painting slogans offensive to Jews.

HORSE STABLES**July 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:50)**

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Ball reported live from Pico Rivera, where a new deadline had come and gone in the stand-off over the closing of a city owned horse stable. And the conflict between horse owners and city officials became even more bitter, after the sudden death of a horse at the stable on Friday.

SOUTH LA FARM COURT**July 12, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:35)**

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported that the fight over the future of an urban farm in South Central L.A. would continue the next day in court. Supporters have gone to court to try and prove that the city's sale of the land to a private owner was illegal, and they're asking a judge to make the Mayor and various City Council members testify under oath about that sale.

SKID ROW CLEANUP**July 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:57)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported about a showdown on Skid Row. Community activists are outraged over a tactic being used to clean up the streets. Critics say the homeless are being victimized.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS**July 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:34)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that President Bush's plan to tighten security at the border appears to be working. That day, border patrol officials said there'd been a 45% decrease in arrests of illegal immigrants at the U.S.-Mexico border.

NAACP SUSPICIOUS PACKAGES**July 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:28)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that that night, NAACP officials in at least four states said they've received suspicious packages and threatening letters. NAACP officials say in each case, the packages contained a white powder.

310 AREA CODE**July 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:17)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported that phone customers in the 310 area code would now have to dial 11 digits, even if calling someone down the street. It is all part of the preparation for the region getting an additional area code next month.

NEWLYWEDS REUNITED**July 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:21)**

KCAL9 reporter Stacey Butler reported on a happy ending for local newlyweds separated by war. Waleed Fuhrman went to Lebanon to attend his father's funeral and was caught in the fighting there.

SANTA MONICA SMOKING**July 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:58)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported that the city of Santa Monica has already banned smoking on the beach, and now they want to ban smoking in other public places. Many people love the idea, but many smokers are fuming.

GIRL HERO**July 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:00)**

KCAL9 reporter Stacey Butler reported the story of a ten-year-old West Covina girl loves her little brother so much, she was willing to risk her own life to help him after a car accident. She lost an arm doing it, but says the sacrifice was worth it.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**August 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:25)**

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported that neighbors across the Southland would get together that night to fight crime. It was, "National Night Out"—a way for communities to take back the streets. It is an annual event to encourage community awareness of anti-crime activities and neighborhood watch groups.

GAY FRIENDLY SCHOOL**August 1, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:25)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported from Pomona with the story of why for gay, straight, lesbian, bi-sexual and transsexuals...when it comes to diversity, Cal Poly Pomona is the place to be.

VENTURA COUNTY FAIR**August 2, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:25)**

KCAL9 Ventura County reporter Amy Johnson reported on Ventura County's biggest event of the year kicking off that morning—the Ventura County Fair.

MURAL CONSERVATION**August 2, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:50)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that the city of Los Angeles and the Getty Foundation will provide nearly 8-million dollars to preserve the famous mural named, "America Tropical."

MAYOR FILM PARTY**August 2, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that the only film festival of its kind in the entire country was taking place right here in the Southland. He showed us some of the winning entries.

DEATH VALLEY SURVIVORS**August 9, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:51)**

KCAL9 reporter Stacey Butler reported that though the odds were against them, all the family members are okay and talking about their

ordeal. They told KCAL9 how they ended up miles from help in the searing desert heat.

COMMUNITY WALK

August 9, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that people in downtown L.A. are taking their community back, and shows us how it has changed their neighborhood. They have been walking the blocks, looking for problems, offering answers and making friends along the way.

HARVEST CRUSADE

August 11, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:15)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported that in Orange County they were getting ready for the 17th Annual Harvest Crusade. They expect more than 100-thousand people to attend the three-day evangelical religious event, & thousands more would be watching on the internet.

AUTRY RIDGE

August 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported that Southern California cowboy legend Gene Autry holds many honors, and now he may win a rock solid tribute, if his Studio City neighbors have anything to say about it.

POMONA POLICE DOG

August 21, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:18)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported live from Pomona to introduce us to a new canine recruit in the Pomona Police Department who was getting a special welcome. "Willow the Bloodhound is the newest addition to the department's K-9 Corps.

SEAWORLD FIREWORKS

August 24, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:32)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that the nightly fireworks show at Seaworld in San Diego has been suspended indefinitely. Officials at the amusement park are being required to apply for a permit.

SAVE OUR STATE

August 26, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:07)

KCAL9 reported Suzie Suh reported that the continuing battle over illegal immigration took to the streets of Maywood that day. Both sides of the controversial issue went all-out to express their views, with police on hand to make sure the argument never got physical.

URBAN L.A. VIOLENCE**August 27, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:10)**

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live from Parker Center with the story of how some local community leaders were calling for a police crackdown on gang activity. This in response to a sudden surge of murders in South Los Angeles.

BEACH RE-NAMING**August 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:43)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported live from what could become "Bruce's Beach" again, as a decades-old battle to re-name part of Manhattan Beach was drawing to its conclusion. It is a battle to pay tribute to African-Americans who were once banned from Southern California beaches.

DREAM BOAT SINKS**August 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:36)**

KCAL9 Ventura County reporter Amy Johnson reported the story of a man who spent years building a dream that turned into a majestic Irish workboat. But the seas were unkind, and her maiden voyage was her last.

LINCOLN TENANTS EVICTED**August 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:29)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported live from Venice with the story of renters holding a rally that night, desperate to keep their Venice apartments. Their leases were up, and eviction notices would be next.

NASCAR / FAN FEST**August 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:28)**

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported live from the Ontario Convention Center with details on the Ontario Fan Fest, which is the place to be if you are a Nascar fan, and a great way to kick off the Labor Day race weekend.

CANYON JUNKED VEHICLES**September 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:37)**

KCAL9 reporter Paul Dandridge reported live from Tuna Canyon, with the story of how Southern California mountain and hillside areas are littered with vehicles that have tumbled over the side. That day, a special task force was out in the Carbon Canyon area to retrieve some of them.

MDA CAMPER**September 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:15)**

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported that the Muscular Dystrophy Association helps people of all ages, and Sigell met a very special young adult at MDA's Summer Camp.

IMMIGRANTS RALLY**September 2, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:36)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that more than a thousand people took to the streets of downtown L.A. that day to demand amnesty for illegal immigrants in the U.S. The march kicked off a series of Labor Day protests scheduled for the weekend.

NEWPORT BEACH 100 YEAR**September 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:47)**

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported from Newport Beach, where a milestone was being celebrated—the city was turning 100 years old.

STOLEN DOG FOUND**September 5, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:48)**

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported a happy ending to a heartbreaking loss—a San Jose teen was reunited with the dog stolen from his home during a break-in more than a month prior.

MEDAL OF VALOR AWARDS**September 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:56)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported from the site of a ceremony that took place that day. It is the highest award an officer can receive in the Los Angeles Police Department. That day 13 of L.A.'s finest were presented the Medal of Honor.

104-YEAR-OLD VOLUNTEER**September 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:39)**

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported the story of a woman who is a treasure to co-workers at Memorial Hospital in Long Beach. This local woman has been volunteering with the hospital since it opened! That day there was a special birthday celebration and an opportunity to say 'thank you.'

L.A. COUNTY FAIR**September 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:26)**

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported details on what to expect when you head to opening day of the L.A. County Fair. If you dare to be

adventurous, there are some things to eat that require plenty of courage.

DONUTS AND COFFEE

September 12, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Inland Empire reported Craig Fiegenger reported that Krispy Kreme fans in the Inland Empire were still reeling from the news—without warning, the Krispy Kreme doughnut shop in Riverside closed down.

SEGERSTROM CONCERT HALL OPENS

September 15, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported live from Costa Mesa with the excitement of opening night for the new Segerstrom Concert Hall. Placido Domingo starred that opening night, which proved to be an exciting night in Orange County for opera lovers.

SKID ROW

September 20, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported that the L.A. City Council that day rejected a compromise with the ACLU and the Police Department, over enforcement of an ordinance against sleeping on the streets of Skid Row.

IRS CHURCH SUMMONS

September 21, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported the inside story of a battle between a Pasadena Church and the IRS. Church officials believe an anti-war sermon led to an IRS summons, and they're refusing to turn over documents.

GERBER BABY / CAMARILLO

September 25, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reported that a new baby has been picked to be the face of the Gerber campaign, celebrating the birth of the 300-millionth American—and the baby they have selected is from Camarillo.

WOMEN IN RADIO

September 25, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:26)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported that a new era in radio dawned this day, when Oprah Winfrey opened her new network for business. She is the latest crusader in the growing trend of women in radio.

MLK HOSPITAL**September 25, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:14)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported that community leaders and the L.A. County Supervisors both met that day to deal with the medical crisis at King-Drew Medical Center. The hospital is in danger of closing after failing a federal inspection that could cost it 200-million dollars in funding.

CONFERENCE ON WOMEN**September 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:50)**

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported on what is billed as the largest one-day gathering of women in the country—Mari Shriver was again hosting the First Lady's Conference on Women, which is in full swing in Long Beach.

BOMBER BUILT**September 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL9 Ventura County reporter Amy Johnson reported the story of a labor of love that pays tribute to a fallen soldier. A Southern California man is bringing a World War II vintage aircraft back to life.

NORTH KOREA MISSILE**July 4, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:53)**

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported that the U.N. Security council was preparing for an emergency meeting the next morning. The topic: North Korea test-firing at least six missiles, including one with the range to reach the U.S. Still unknown were what consequences North Korea would face for the tests the U.S. and Japan warned against.

BUSH/CHICAGO**July 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 reporter Juan Fernandez reported that in Chicago that day, President Bush held a news conference and told reporters that he is determined to use diplomatic means to get North Korea to stop testing its missiles.

IRAQ**July 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 reporter Gwen Belton reported that there doesn't seem to be an end in sight to the vicious cycle of bloody retaliation attacks in Iraq. There was more violence that day, and all of it a backdrop to the last days of Saddam Hussein's trial.

ISRAEL / LEBANON**July 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:50)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that Israeli planes bombed and shelled Southern Lebanon as ground troops crossed the border, and more bombs were dropped in the Gaza Strip.

BUSH / MIDDLE EAST**July 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 reporter Gwen Belton reported that Lebanon was calling for a ceasefire following an attack by Israel—Israeli planes are pounding Lebanon with bombs and rockets in the biggest attack in decades. The European Union is criticizing Israel for the attack, but President Bush is firmly with Israel.

MIDDLE EAST**July 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)**

KCAL9 reporter Bianca Solorzano reported from the United Nations that the battle in the Middle East continues. Israel is blasting away at Lebanon's infrastructure, and Hezbollah is sending rockets into Northern Israel. World concern over the fighting is growing.

STEM CELL DEBATE**July 17, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:41)**

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported that it had been an emotional day on Capitol Hill, as the Senate revisited debate on stem cell research. At issue—three different bills, and one will probably bring President Bush's first veto.

BUSH / STEM CELL**July 19, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:46)**

KCAL9 Anchor Ann Martin reported that President Bush had the last word that day, using his veto power for the first time on a stem cell funding bill. The House tried to override the veto, but fell 50 votes short. The veto stands.

IMMIGRATION BATTLE**July 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:12)**

KCAL9 reporter Hank Plante reported that U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales was in California pushing the Bush Administration's Immigration Reform Plan. He visited the Bay area that day, where he found the plan to be a tough sale.

GOVERNOR / POWER**July 24, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:45)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that the heat has become a political hot button in the race for the Governor's seat. Governor Schwarzenegger attended a summit in Westwood this morning when he urged residents to conserve power. But his Democratic rival Phil Angelides blasted Schwarzenegger on not doing enough to assure that power needs are met.

BATTLE FOR IRAQ**July 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:24)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that President Bush and Iraq's new Prime Minister are trying to stem the escalating violence in Baghdad. But both men were being dragged into the conflict on the Lebanon Israeli border, and they announced plans to give U.S. troops in Iraq new marching orders.

GOVERNOR ARNOLD 1-ON-1**July 26, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:58)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan presented his one-on-one interview with Governor Schwarzenegger, wherein the Governor discussed that he will not declare a state of emergency because of the heat & energy crisis in California. He also said he is appalled by the "intensity of prejudice" he has run into on the issue of illegal immigration.

BUSH / BLAIR PRESSER**July 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:59)**

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair met at the White House to discuss the crisis in the Middle East. Other European nations have called for an immediate ceasefire, but Blair agreed with President Bush that any solution to the conflict "must address its root causes."

ARNOLD / TONY BLAIR CALIFORNIA VISIT**July 31, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 3:25)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from Long Beach with details on British Prime Minister Tony Blair's visit to Southern California that afternoon. He and Governor Schwarzenegger were teaming up for a global fight, and plan to sign an historic agreement.

TONY BLAIR**August 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:02)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from downtown with details on a breakthrough agreement—British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Governor Schwarzenegger yesterday, created their own foreign policy to combat global warming.

RUMSFELD**August 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:50)**

KCAL9 reporter Susan Roberts reported that lawmakers were getting the chance to ask tough questions about Iraq directly to the Secretary of Defense. Donald Rumsfeld initially said he was too busy to attend a meeting, but took the hot seat after all.

MIDEAST FIGHTING**August 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:20)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that in the Middle East that night, the rockets and bombs continue to rain down on Israel and Lebanon. Also, the Red Cross charges that Israel has denied

permission for aid groups to move food and supplies to besieged villages in Southern Lebanon.

CRISIS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

August 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 4:04)

KCAL9 Political reporter Dave Bryan reported that ground fighting was intensifying near the Lebanese border, and at the United Nations, it appears that the U.S.-French Ceasefire Coalition may be falling apart.

TERROR PLOT

August 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:29)

KCAL9 reporter Charlie D'Agata reported from London on the plot that started in England, but now America is on alert, sparking a ripple effect at airports across the country. He provided information on the suspects arrested and the search for dozens more.

MIDEAST LATEST

August 14, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 reporter Manuel Gallegus reported that the ceasefire imposed by the U.N. has not brought an end to the violence in Lebanon. Israel says it killed six Hezbollah fighters overnight after they approached an Israeli position.

MIDEAST REBUILDING

August 18, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:42)

KCAL9 Political reporter Dave Bryan reported the latest on the situation in the Middle East—a sea of mixed emotions, as Lebanese bury their dead and celebrate the truce.

IRAQ VIOLENCE

August 20, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Strassman reported that in the battle for Iraq, there was death and chaos on the streets of Baghdad that day. Snipers killed at least 20 people, firing their weapons into a Shiite religious procession. Hundreds more were injured in the stampede.

BUSH ON IRAQ

August 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:37)

KCAL9 Political reporter Dave Bryan reported that President Bush was standing firm that night, declaring the U.S. will not leave Iraq as long as he is president—no matter how unpopular the war is.

LAUSD MAYOR TAKEOVER**August 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:20)**

KCAL9 Political reporter Dave Bryan reported that that night, Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa's LAUSD takeover plan was savoring a major victory in Sacramento. The vote was perilously close for the Mayor, who personally intervened with state legislators.

IRAQ VIOLENCE**August 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:50)**

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported that there was tough talk that day from the Secretary of Defense. Donald Rumsfeld was striking out against critics of the Iraq war.

BATTLE FOR IRAQ**August 30, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:02)**

KCAL9 reporter Mark Strassman reported on another day of deadly attacks in Iraq's capital. But despite the increasing violence, a top U.S. General there is painting an optimistic picture.

IRAN**August 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)**

KCAL9 reporter Wendy Gillette reported that today was the deadline day for Iran. The United Nations set August 31st as the date for the country to stop enriching uranium or face possible sanctions. However Iran's president says they will not be bullied.

BUSH / IRAQ**August 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:36)**

KCAL9 reporter Gwen Belton reported that President Bush was traveling and speaking that day, trying to build support for the war in Iraq. The November elections are getting closer and Republicans face growing opposition to the administration's war policies.

AL QAEDA TAPE**September 2, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:34)**

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that a Southland native now thought to be an Al Qaeda activist, appeared in a videotape with the group's deputy leader that day. Adam Gadahn is wanted by the FBI, and believed to have attended terror training camps in Afghanistan.

LABOR DAY POLITICS**September 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:26)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that the 2006 battle for control of Congress was heating up that night. Democrats and

Republicans scurried around the country this Labor Day, looking for votes in this fall's Congressional elections.

TERROR BUSH / RUMSFELD

September 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported details on a significant announcement from President Bush that day, about the existence of secret CIA prisons, and the key terrorist suspects who have been held there.

GOVERNOR RECORDING

September 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from downtown L.A. with the latest on how Governor Schwarzenegger was on the defensive, after a recording hit the Internet. The governor now apologized for the candid comments, but some state leaders were saying, "Not so fast."

WORLDWIDE 9/11

September 11, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 reporter Charlie D'Agata reported that from sea to sea and border to border, people around the world stood with the United States as we remember the September 11th terrorist attacks.

9/11 MAYOR AND CHIEF

September 11, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:16)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from Elysian Park, with how the Mayor and his fire chief are safeguarding the city. On this anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, Mayor Villaraigosa says he can rest easier at night, knowing the city is as prepared as it can be for a terror attack.

BUSH / UN

September 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Alison Harmelin reported that President Bush as at the United Nations that day, trying to build international support for America's Middle East policies.

BUSH / UN SPEECH

September 19, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:21)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported details on an extraordinary day at the UN—President Bush and the President of Iran

take their dispute over nuclear weapons and other issues to the United Nations.

IRAQ**September 21, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:47)**

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported that in the battle for Iraq, a new UN report shows the number of Iraqi civilians killed in the past two months has hit a record high. One expert claims that in some ways, the situation is worse than when Saddam Hussein was in power.

BUSH / MUSHARRAF**September 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported details of a shocking claim by Pakistan's President that was grabbing headlines that afternoon. He says the U.S. threatened to bomb his country after the 9/11 attacks, if Pakistan didn't cooperate in the war on terror. Yet there was no visible tension that day at a joint White House news conference.

BIN LADEN ALIVE?**September 23, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:00)**

KCAL9 reporter Tracie Strahan reported that a French intelligence document claims Osama Bin Laden is dead. But government leaders here in the U.S. cannot confirm it, and political leaders around the world are questioning the report.

BUSH INTEL LEAK**September 26, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:39)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that a controversial Intelligence report on the Iraq war was declassified and made public, fueling a bitter political debate on the impact the war is having on terrorism.

ANGELIDES / CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD**September 26, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:50)**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that the race for Governor of California might be getting a new issue. State Treasurer Phil Angelides says if he's elected governor, he'll do everything in his power to pull all California National Guard troops out of Iraq.